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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the following information.

The following documents were cited in an International Search Report with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2005/051558, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. A copy of the International Search Report has been filed concurrently with the present application and should thus have been brought to the attention of the Examiner.

1. U.S. Patent No. 3,510,060;
2. International Patent Publication No. WO 03/074911 A2, and patent family member U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2003/0217775 A1;
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,539,942; and

4. U.S. Patent No. 3,858,800.

The relevance of the document cited in the International Search Report, as ascertained with respect to the International claims by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicants further submit the following document:

5. French Patent Publication No. 2 864 151, together with an English Language Abstract of the same, the application No. of which is 03 15204, which is cited beginning at page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of above-noted foreign and international documents, including the noted English language Abstract, are attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on an attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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